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## WEATHER INDICATIONS.

Washington, Feb. 21.—For Kansas: Forecast till 4 p. m. Thursday: Snow flurries today and probably tonight; fair Thursday; rising temperature Thursday; variable winds.

WHERE was the fire on the World's fair grounds today?

SMOKING is not good for a man; when he has a small salary.

A MAN CAN DO very little good by thinking about the poor. Money talks.

CLEVELAND is now looking around for something else to stick his foot into.

IT takes an action to pump plain wind into a pipe organ, and make it come out like.

FEBRUARY is a small month, but it seems to have a full grown supply of weather.

ONE would rather fight a duel in France, nowadays than dine in a French restaurant.

THE fight over the supreme bench is ended, but it leaves a good many dents on the bench.

TO BE a good Democrat, one doesn't have to believe in anything in particular, but hatred of the Republicans.

BILL NYE came near dying at a Niagara Falls hotel; probably the landlord showed him his bill so suddenly.

CLEARANCES can be overdone; turning the hose on the front pavement when the mercury is below zero, for instance.

THE car repairers' business ought to be good. Train cobblers blow the side off an express car or two every few days.

THE wild geese in the southern marshes haven't begun to pack up yet. They know enough to run the weather bureau.

IN BISMARCK and Emperor William don't quit drinking wine together, they'll get drunk and get themselves into a police court.

A MAN in New York has started an anti-treating society. Its rules are so strict that a physician can hardly treat his patients.

DOES congress really know what the people think of the situation? Most of its members will have found out after the next election.

JUDGE HALLER, Dundy and Caldwell having disagreed each with the other, as to the law, will some kind friend please say what is the law.

IT is so evident that a scamp like McKane is punished in New York city that it takes the papers there a long time to get through rejoicing.

OPEN the mills and shut up the soup houses, is the demand of the workingmen; but they have got through demanding it of the Democratic party.

TWO weeks ago there was fresh lettuce in the market, and some people who were not into the secrets of the weather makers thought spring was coming.

ANOTHER time that Topeka gets ready to do something about the snow ordinances the snow melts off; we are a good deal like the Arkansas trappers and his roof.

THE Boston Post of last Sunday was written, edited and gotten out entirely by women; so the 40,000 old maids of Massachusetts do not feel so much cast down after all.

A POLICEMAN who was scolded by a peanut vendor on Kansas avenue was threatened with arrest for "resisting an officer" if he didn't hold his tongue.

LAWMAKERS in the state house at Boston proceeded about as imperturbably yesterday as it did in the Kansas house when Crazy Boston Corbett was waving his revolver in the men's gallery.

NEW YORK insists on calling a newspaper "scoop" a "beat," but the rest of the country sticks to the "scoop." New York is too much of a foreign city to try to set the fashion for America. Wait till Chicago drops "scoop" and we'll think about it.

## KANSAS PARAGRAPHS.

Coal is selling at Neodesha for 10 cents per bushel, delivered.

The old settlers of Sedgewick county hold their reunion at Wichita tomorrow.

Prof. Carruth of the state university is an enthusiastic supporter of woman suffrage.

Robins and blue birds have made their appearance at Windfield, and all nature seems glad, says the Courier.

The Sunday ordinance at Garden City is so strict that they are talking of arresting the church deacons who pass the time in the church.

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An Emporia young man spent all his money on sleigh rides for his girl, and now that the snow is gone she attends theaters with another fellow.

The escape of Treatwell from the jail at Emporia is somewhat of a surprise because it wasn't generally known that he was a ladies' man like Major.

A drove of 200 turkeys was driven up from Wellington recently to the Wichita market. They were driven like sheep and made the trip in less than two days.

Yates Center News: Hon. T. J. Hudson of the Third district lives up to his privileges. He has had another long speech inserted in the Record-Carter care fully inserting in the speech the "loud applause and laughter," "great applause etc."

A Leavenworth man says there is a fellow in that town who eats raw eggs and soap as a change in diet. On one occasion, it is alleged, he ate a dozen raw eggs and two pounds of soap beaten into a batter. He says it tasted just like Welsh rarebit.

An old colored woman applied at the Atchison free restaurant one day this week and was given a basket of porcospikes. Later in the day she sent several of her children to the same place and secured another basket of porcospikes. That night she gave a supper at her home, charging each person fifteen cents; and yet some people think the colored people can't take care of themselves.

## TURF TOPICS.

The Denver summer dates are June 8 to October 15.

W. P. Taylor, owner of Missot, 234, was recently married.

The new Houston track now being built will cost \$45,000.

J. J. Morrissey will race his horses in the west this season.

An attempt will be made to train Ballygowan again this season.

Elliott Knox, who is now 10 years old, will be out as a pacer this season.

Seth Griffin regards the new track at Detroit as the best he has ever constructed.

Erie, Pa., will give a trotting meeting next season on the track of the late William L. Scott.

The pacer Benton Boy, 2:20, general Benton, out of Gazelle, 2:1, stands 17 hands high.

It is young for a successful British politician, having first seen the light in 1867. His family is an old one, and that is one reason why his Liberalism is such a tower of strength to the party. His surname is not, of course, Rosebery, that being the title of his emblem merely. He was born Primrose and was christened Archibald Philip. His title when a boy at the great public school at Eaton was Earl Dalmeny, and it was under this that he was known as one of the cleverest, most original pupils then in attendance. Whenever a topic was up for discussion among his fellows he used to listen gravely until all the rest had had their say. Then he would express himself in such unexpected fashion and such quaint phrase as to invariably command the respectful attention of the others.

He was then, as now, very difficult to approach when he had work to do, and his rooms were inaccessible to all but his closest intimates, but as his seeming exclusiveness was known to proceed not from haughtiness, but from a conviction that to accomplish his work he must be undisturbed, he was not disliked for it, especially as he found time enough to devote to athletic sports to enable him to excel therein. His liking for hard work has been a pronounced characteristic ever since that time and has undoubtedly been an important factor in enabling him to excel in whatever he has undertaken.

Colonel Theodore Ayrault Dodge says that the Kentucky farmer rides on an average a finer, better trained and faster horse than does the Arab sheik.

Every dollar paid for admission to the Bay District track, San Francisco, Feb. 2, was turned over to the citizens' committee for the relief of the unemployed.

RAILROAD TIES.

The first use of a locomotive in this country was in 1839.

The Erie has issued a new book of rules governing the use of airbrakes and steam heating apparatus.

Colonel James F. How, vice president of the Wabash, has severed his official connection with that road.

Eighty-seven and a half millions of passengers passed through the various railway stations in Paris, arriving or departing, during 1893.

A metal cage and weight combined for throwing off letters at stations where trains do not stop has been devised and patented by a night burglar of the Concord and Montreal railroad.

Some railway managers are advocating more general establishment of what they call "chafing dish" buffets cars. They are a compromise between the Pullman buffet cars and the regular dining cars.

The Baltimore and Ohio is doing a charitable act for which it receives just praise. The city of Pittsburgh has given several thousand men employment in the parks. The railroad company carries them to and from work free.

AN Important Difference.

To make it apparent to the thousands, who think themselves ill, that they are not affected with any disease, but that the system simply needs cleansing, is to bring to the mind of their hearer an active condition as easily cured by using Syrup of Figs. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co.

Pearson Steam Laundry at 112 and 114 West Sts.

## WHO WILL BE LEADER

A QUESTION OF VAST INTEREST TO THE PEOPLE OF GREAT BRITAIN.

Lord Rosebery, John Morley and Sir William Vernon Harcourt seem to lead the Liberal List in Eligibility to Successor Grand Old Man Gladstone.

Whether the story told by the expatriated American, Astor, in his London newspaper, The Pall Mall Gazette, to the effect that Mr. Gladstone will shortly resign as premier of the British empire and leader of the Liberal party, be founded on "inside information" or not, his age and increasing infirmities are such as to render his retirement a contingency likely to become a fact almost any day.

What will happen then? Who will take the reins from the venerable hands that have guided his party for so many years? Will the new man be strong enough to keep the party united? How long will he be able to continue the Lib-

eral cause?

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